

# **KENNEDY TO DISCUSS NEED TO OPEN THE DOORS OF OPPORTUNITY TO HIGHER EDUCATION**

## ***KENNEDY WILL KEYNOTE EVENT HONORING CHAMPIONS OF BOSTON PUBLIC SCHOOL STUDENTS***

BOSTON, MA- Tomorrow, Friday, May 11th at 7:30 PM, Senator Edward M. Kennedy will discuss the vital importance of education and the need for increased opportunity in higher education. Kennedy will discuss his legislation in Congress that would overhaul the student loan industry and make the system work for students.

The 2007 gala is sponsored by ACCESS, which works to make financial and information resources available to every Boston Public School student who desires to attend college. ACCESS has served thousands of Boston students from all neighborhoods with their programs in financial aid advising, scholarships, early awareness and alumni support. The event will honor three individuals for their support of the Boston Public Schools and for championing educational opportunity: Robert Beal, President of The Beal Companies LLC, Barbara Lynch, owner of No. 9 Park restaurant and Clayton Turnbull, owner and CEO of the Waldwin Group Inc.

**WHO:** Senator Edward M. Kennedy  
Robert Beal, President, The Beal Companies, LLP  
Barbara Lynch, Owner, "No. 9 Park" restaurant  
Joseph Campanelli, Event Chair and CEO of Sovereign Bank  
Lisa Hughes, Anchor, WBZ-TV

**WHAT:** 2007 ACCESS Gala

**WHEN:** Friday, May 11th  
7:30 PM

**WHERE:** Boston Center for the Arts, Cyclorama  
539 Tremont Street  
Boston, MA

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